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the Society from the Treasurer, $271.87 on general account; $284.60 on Magellanic Fund account, and $9.40 on Rittenhouse Fund account. Treasurer's expenditures $8.26 in excess of the $100, App. No. 1; and $40.10 in excess of $100 App. No. 4. Deficiency appropriation of $12.36 voted. Committee to invest the Magellanic surplus: R. Patterson and J. Vaughan.

"Analysis of Soil by Dr. MacNeven" (Nov. 7, 1822): Report *against* publication accepted.

Julius Klaproth's letter from Paris, to be answered by DuPonceau.

Donations for Library from Klaproth and others.

Deposited by Mr. Vaughan: Bayle's Dictionary, 12 Vols. Folio.

"Des. and Chem. Anal. of *Retinasphalt*, discovered at Cape Sable, Magothy river, Ann Arundal Co., Md.," by G. Troost, M.D., was referred to Hembel, Collins and Lukens.

1824. *Jan'y* 2; 2 *o'clock P. M.* (Patterson; Duponceau, Vaughan, Collin, Hembel, Vaux, Nichols, C. C. Biddle, Ord, Coats [*sic*], Dr. Patterson, Mease, Harlan, Lukens, Seybert, Troost, Say, Barnwell, Keating, 19.)

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

President—Robert Patterson.

Vice-Presidents—Tilghman, DuPonceau, Collins.

Secretaries—R. M. Patterson, Walsh, Ord, Keating.

Councillors—T. Jefferson, W. Maclure, Collin, W. Meredith.

Curators—T. Say, W. E. Horner, Dr. Jas. Mease.

Treasurer—John Vaughan.

1824. *Jan'y* 2, *evening.* (Seybert; Vaughan, Nichols, C. C. Biddle, Lukens, Troost, Say, Lesueur, Harlan, Hembel, Pedersen, Barnwell, Long, Coats, Ord, 15.)

Retinasphalt analysis reported for publication.

Donations from N. Biddle, Jas. Webster, Turin Academy.

Investing Committee authorized to stay proceedings until next meeting.

1824. *Jan'y* 16. (DuPonceau; Sergeant, Mease, and 24 others.)

Librarian elected: J. Vaughan.

Building Committee for 1824: Vaughan, Dr. Patterson, and Strickland.

Appropriations of $100 to Building Committee; $150 for periodicals, $50 for binding, $150 for extras, Library, &c., expenses.

Librarian might purchase Stewart's Hebrew Grammar, second edition.

Patterson's resolution to lend the Extra Magellanic Fund surplus now in the Treasurer's hand, on security, to the Printer of the Transactions; and Vaughan's additional resolution, that the Committee might increase the loan to the necessary degree by withdrawing a part of the already invested surplus—were laid over to the next meeting.

Election of five new members: Moses Stuart, of Andover, Mass.; Henry Seybert, of Philadelphia; Julius Klaproth, of Paris; Jos. B. McKean, of Philadelphia; Alex. Pearson, Physician to the British Factory at Canton.

1824. *Feb'y* 6. (Tilghman; Mr. Seybert, Dr. Seybert, and 20 others.)

Donations from various sources.

Extra Magellanic Fund surplus resolutions adopted.

Annual oration: Duponceau called up his resolution of December 5th, which was discussed, and then postponed to the next meeting.

1824. *Feb'y* 20. (Patterson; Mr. Seybert, Mr. McKean, Major Ware and 16 others.)

Donations of books; and a donation of ores from Z. Collins.

Dr. W. Meade's resignation by letter was offered and accepted.

Oration in 1824 resolved on. Nominations for Orator to be made at the next meeting.

1824. *March* 5. (Duponceau; Vaughan, Nichols, Carey, Dr. Seybert, Say, Hembel, Harlan, Stricklin, Collin, Bache, Dr. Patterson, Lukens, C. C. Biddle, Short, Major Long, Ord, 17.)

Donations from Ed. Peale, R. Waln, Jr., Chapman, Mease.

"Anal. of Chrysoberyls from Haddam and Brazil," by Mr. Henry Seybert, was read by Dr. Bache, and referred to Drs. Bache, Patterson and Hare. [Analysis follows, occupying half a page.]

"*Proceedings:*" Committee appointed, on motion of Mr. Carey, to consider the propriety of publishing the Transactions in 8° form, and in cahiers or numbers, from time to time: Carey, Ord and Dr. Patterson.

Oration: Hopkinson, R. Hare, W. Gibson, H. Seybert, M. Carey, Tilghman, Dr. Adam Seybert, Chapman, S. Jackson, Langdon Cheves, all nominated for Orator. Nomination list to be kept open until the election takes place.

Transactions: Librarian instructed to enquire what volumes were wanted by the Society, as there were copies for sale at a very low price.

1824. *March* 19. (Patterson; and 22 others.)

Seybert's Analysis ordered to be published in the current volume of Transactions.

Octavo Transactions: Committee's report ordered to lie on the table.

Donations for Library from Lin., Hort. and R. Societies, and S. Parkes, London.

Zollikoffer's circular, "Remarks on Euphorbia," ordered to lie on the table.

MS. copy of letter of Philadelphia ladies to General Washington, in 1781, about donations of clothing for the Amer. army, and Washington's autograph reply, were read by Dr. Mease and referred to the Historical Committee.

Death of Jose Correa de Serra, at Lisbon, announced. Letter of sympathy to his family ordered.

Election of orator postponed to the next meeting.

Minerals, fossils, &c., in the Cabinet shall not be described and "published in any work except the Society's Transactions, unless express liberty to this effect be first obtained from the Society." [Dr. Patterson's resolution; adopted.]

1824. *April* 2. (DuPonceau; Patterson, C. C. Biddle, Dr. Patterson, Ord, Say, Mease, Carey, Nichols, Dr. Seybert, Barnwell, Collin, Morgan, Vaughan, Hembel, Gibson, Lesueur, Chapman, Mr. Seybert, Long, Harlan, Coates, Keating, 23.)

Donations for Library from various sources.

Heckewelder's Portrait presented by DuPonceau.

"Obs. on the culture of Silk in Pa.," by P. A. Browne, was referred to Say, Dr. Patterson, Ord.

"A substitute for Locks in Canals," in a letter from Maj. S. H. Long, was read and laid on the table.

"The Curators called the attention of the Soc. to the unsafe state of the Building, from the want of a proper grating to the cellar windows." Referred to Building Committee.

Library Committee reported Rules. Referred to Patterson, Biddle, Ord.

Octavo form of Transactions: Resolution called up and discussed. Mr. Carey offered a Resolution that Publishing Committee contract with some Bookseller to publish the Transactions in numbers (150 to 200 pages each), and to subscribe for [ ] copies for the Society; price not to exceed $1.00 (except for expensive plates); the MSS. to be

put to press immediately; authors to receive 25 copies, within 10 days, if their papers do not exceed 30 pages, and within three weeks, if not exceeding 60 pages. This Resolution and the Publishing Committee's report were referred to the Board of Officers.

Dr. Chapman moved that "the admission fee . . . . be increased."

Mr. Carey moved that the Treasurer furnish a complete list of members in arrears, and employ a collector on a five per cent commission, with security for faithfulness.

Election of orator again postponed.

1824. *April* 16. (Patterson; DuPonceau, Hembel, Dr. Seybert, Short, Collin, Hopkinson, Meredith, C. C. Biddle, Chapman, Pedersen, Hare, Mease, Brown, Lukens, Mr. Seybert, Carey, Vaughan, Bache, Dr. Patterson, Lesueur, Sergeant, Say, Harlan, Barnwell, Long, Hall, Coates, Nichols, Ord, Keating, 31.)

Transactions: Board of Officers reported that after full consideration they had unanimously agreed that it was *not* expedient to change the 4° form; "but that hereafter, whenever the papers . . . . are sufficient to fill 100 pages, ... the same shall be published, so that the publication shall keep pace as nearly as possible with the communication of the papers," and that such determination should be published with the current volume. Report ordered to lie on the table.

Committee on Rules since 1814, reported; and were discharged.

Committee on Report of Library Committee reported unfavorably to the resolutions recommended by the Library Committee, and their report being adopted, they were discharged.

P. A. Browne's paper on Silk Culture: Committee reported *against* its publication, and were discharged.

Board of Officers reported *against* granting the Magellanic

Premium "for a new Air-pump." (Nov. 7, 1823.) Report accepted.

Donations of insects, &c., from Lewis Vanuxem, Allen Armstrong, and Gen. D'Evereux. Donations of books from Dutch Min. Pub. Inst., the Governor of South Carolina and Academy of Natural Sciences. Vanuxem's insects were referred to Say, Ord and Harlan.

Deposited by Mr. Vaughan: "53 Vols. of valuable books."

Transactions: Resolutions of Board of Officers called up and discussed. Dr. Patterson moved their adoption. Dr. Bache moved to postpone. Mr. Carey moved to publish in 8°, "in the manner specified in the resolutions offered by Mr. Carey at a former meeting." Finally the debate was postponed.

Election of two new members: A. J. Von Krusenstern, Capt. Russian Navy, St. Petersburg; and Charles Buonaparte, Prince of Canino, of Philadelphia.

1824. *May* 7. (Patterson; Duponceau, Hopkinson, Barnwell, Meredith, Dr. Patterson, Vaughan, Morgan, Mr. Gibson, Brown, Dr. Seybert, McKean, Sergeant, Ord, Harlan, Troost, Say, Nicholls, Carey, Horner, Collin, Dewees, Rawle, Long, Bache, Jackson, Coates, Strickland, Lesueur, Hall, Hembel, and Keating, 32.)

Vanuxem's Insects: Report of Committee accepted.

Donations for Library from Leopold de Buch, in his letter to Alex. v. Humboldt, W. Rodrigue, and M. Carey.

Meteorological Observations at Washington, in 1823-24, by Jules de Wallenstein. Referred to Committee on Meteorological Observations.

Ed. Clark's letter applying for admission to and loans from the Library during "the preparation of a work which he proposes publishing," was read. Mr. Vaughan moved to grant the request on sufficient security. On motion of Dr. Seybert, laid on the table.

Transactions: Discussion of report of Board of Officers

resumed. Carey's motion negatived. Patterson's motion to adopt the report divided. The first part (to publish the Transactions in 100 page parts) was adopted. The second part, amended to confine the published notice to the mere fact that the publication should be in 100 page parts, was also adopted.

1824. *May* 21. (DuPonceau; and 17 others.)

Wallenstein's communications and *abstracts* of the Journals reported for publication.

MS. Journal of Michaux in America presented by his son, F. André Michaux.

Donations for Library from various sources.

Deposited by Dr. Mease: Map of Pennsylvania in 1681.

Ferussac's "Bulletin Universel." Letter and prospectus from the Baron, read and referred to Dr. Patterson, DuPonceau and Keating.

The use of the Library was granted to Ed. Clark. (May 7.)

1824. *June* 18. (DuPonceau; and 14 others.)

Donations for Library from various sources.

MS. Vocabulary of the Darien natives, presented by J. M. Salazar, Columbian Minister to U. S., was referred to the Historical Committee.

Dr. Godman permitted to examine the Mastodon bones.

Ferussac Committee requested to report at next meeting.

Deposited by Mr. Vaughan: Gen. Syn. of Birds, 8 Vols., 4°, and Index Ornith., 2 Vols., 4°, by Latham.

1824. *July* 16. (Deponceau; Seybert, C. C. Biddle, Gummeré, Hembel, Vaughan, Jackson, Collin, Bache, Lesueur, Ord, Harlan, Keating, 13.)

Donations numerous.

A Letter from R. Waln, Jr., of Philadelphia, respecting a Chinese book presented by Judge Peters, was referred to the Historical Committee.

Catalogue of Library reported by the Librarian to be complete. Thanks voted to the Library Committee, and especially to Peter S. DuPonceau.

Election of two new members: Chas. J. Temminck, of Paris; and Severen Lorick, Chargé d'Affaires and Consul General, Sweden and Norway.

1824. *July* 23. *Special Meeting.* (Tilghman; DuPonceau, Vaughan, Strickland, C. C. Biddle, Ord, Harlan, Hembel, Say, Lesueur, Meredith, Mease, Chapman, Nichol [*sic*], and Keating, 15.)

Death of the President, Robert Patterson, announced.

Resolved, That the Society meet to-morrow at 5 o'clock, P. M., at the house of Dr. Robert Hare, No. 291 Chestnut street, to proceed to the funeral.

But when it was moved that an Orator be chosen at the next stated meeting to deliver an Eulogium, and Mr. Vaughan informed the members that it was the express wish of the deceased to have no eulogium pronounced upon him, it was

Resolved, That Chief Justice Tilghman "be requested to draw up a biographical notice of the late President, together with an account of his services and connections with the Society," to be published in the next volume of Transactions, "together with the motives, which have precluded the Society from appointing an Orator."

A letter to the family was ordered to be written by a Committee consisting of Mr. Tilghman, Dr. Chapman and Mr. Vaughan. These proceedings were ordered to be published.

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1824. *Aug.* 20. (Mease; Collin, Vaughan, Curry, Ord, Lukens, Hembel, Lesueur, Hall, Judge Workman, Harlan, Bache, Coates, Say and Keating, 15.)

The Committee to wait on the family of the late Presi-

dent, to express the regret of the Society at his loss, reported Mrs. Patterson's grateful acknowledgments.

Donations of books numerous.

Committee on Ferussac's Bulletin were directed to report on the propriety of requesting the Society's agent in Paris, M. Michaux, to complete the set of Bulletin Société Philomathique.

Lorick's thanks for election to membership read.

La Fayette's reception: On motion of Mr. Vaughan, it was

Resolved, "That a committee be appointed to make arrangements for the proper reception of our illustrious associate General La Fayette; to ascertain when it may be convenient to him to meet the Society; to prepare an address to be delivered on the occasion; and to call a special meeting at the time which the General shall appoint."

This motion being adopted, the Vice-Presidents and Secretaries were chosen the Committee.

Dr. DeKay, of New York, "permitted to have a series of casts of the bones of the *Megalonix* which are in the possession of the Society."

1824. *Sept.* 17. (Collins; Ware and 15 others.)

Donation from Mr. Collins.

1824. *Oct.* 1. ("Duponceau, V. P. in the chair; Mr. Collins, General Lafayette, Mr. Short, Mr. Hembel, Mr. Vaughan, Mr. Ord, Dr. Patterson, Dr. Horner, Mr. Lukens, Dr. Eberlé, Dr. Harlan, Dr. Troost, Mr. T. Gilpin, Mr. Lorick, Mr. C. J. Ingersoll, Mr. Say, Dr. James, Mr. Meredith, Mr. Cloud, Mr. Vaux, Mr. Haines, Genl. Izard, Mr. Harris, Mr. Wm. Jones, Dr. Mease, Mr. Deabbaté, Dr. Bache, Dr. Collin, Mr. Walsh, Mr. C. W. Peale, Mr. J. R. Smith, Major Ware, Bishop White, Mr. Pennington, Dr. Colhoun, Dr. Jackson, Mr. J. E. Hall, Mr. Pollok, Dr. Coxe, Mr. C. C. Biddle, Mr. Cheves, Dr. Hewson, Mr. J. M. Scott, Mr. Strickland, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Hopkinson, Dr. Coates, Mr. Carey, Dr. Abercrombie and Mr. Keating, 51.")

Donations were received from many persons and societies.

"On the Improvement of Government" was read by C. J. Ingersoll, "which, on motion, was laid on the table." "It was resolved that the consideration of Mr. Ingersoll's communication be resumed." "It was resolved that it should be published in pamphlet form."

"*Resolved,* That the Librarian be directed to present to General La Fayette a copy of the New Series of our Transactions, a copy of our Historical Transactions, and a copy of our Catalogue, all handsomely bound."

"The Society was adjourned. [Signed] William H. Keating, Secretary."

1824. *Oct.* 15. (Collins; and 14 others.)

Meteorological Observations: Committee reported, and report adopted.

Donations for Library from various persons, and the Society of Useful Arts.

Donations "to the Musæum," from Mease, Vaughan, Collins and Troost.

"Desc. of a new form of *Yenite* from R. I.," by Dr. Troost, read and referred to Patterson, Lukens and Hembel.

Ferussac: Committee report in favor of subscribing for "the whole work," and of completing the set of the Bull. S. Philomathique, adopted.

Specimen of *Siren lacertina*, from Carolina, deposited by Dr. Mease.

Chevalier DuPonceau's letter of thanks read.

MS. of La Harpe referred to the Historical Committee, "to determine the propriety of publishing the whole or any part of it."

1824. *Nov.* 5. (Duponceau; and 19 others.)

Troost's paper on Yenite reported for publication.

Donations for Library various.

Donation for Cabinet: A collection of *American Medals* struck in France, from Mr. Short.

Wm. Lawrence's letter of thanks read.

Extra Magellanic Premium: Committee appointed to consider the propriety of giving it "to ingenious men for any useful invention or discovery, although the authors may be known, or may not have applied for the same:" Mease, Hare, Lukens, Hembel, Ord.

1824. *Nov.* 19. (Collins; and 19 others.)

Extra Magellanic Premium: Committee not prepared yet for final report. Binney and Meredith added to the Committee.

Donations for Library various.

Baron Cuvier's acknowledgment of "our Catalogue" read.

Historical Committee requested to report progress.

1824. *Dec.* 3. (DuPonceau; and 16 others.)

Historical Committee reported materials ready for a second volume, and that they were in treaty with a bookseller.

Donation for Library from DuPonceau, Short, Mitchell, and Révinus.

"On a Steam Engine without boiler," by Mr. A. Plantou, was referred to Patterson, Lukens and Hembel.

No applications for Magellanic Premium.

Adjourned to Dec. 10, to audit the Treasurer's accounts.

1824. *Dec.* 10. *Adjourned Meeting.* (Collins; and 10 others.)

Treasurer's accounts presented, and referred to Biddle (C. C.) Hembel and Ord.

1824. *Dec.* 17. (DuPonceau; and 11 others.)

Transactions: Appropriation of $32.75, to purchase fifty

copies of Vol. IV, and fifty copies of Vol. V, as reported by the Librarian.

Auditing Committee reported the Treasurer's account correct. In the Treasurer's hands, on General Account, $315; Magellanic Fund, $769.10; Rittenhouse Fund, $22.22.

Investment of the $769 committed to Patterson, Biddle, Vaughan.

Plantou's paper: Committee reported; paper laid on the table.

Donations for Library from several persons.

1825. *Jan'y* 7; 2 *o'clock, P. M.* (Collin; Thomson, Vaux, Harris, Patterson, Hembel, DuPonceau, Sergeant, Gibson, Lukens, C. C. Biddle, Chapman, Jackson, Ord, Mease, Keating, Hopkinson, Strickland, Chauncey, Carey, Binney, Ware, Ingersoll, Dewees, Jones, Walsh, Parrish, Collins, N. Biddle, Vaughan, James, Bache, Moore, Bonaparte, Nichols, 35.)

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

President—Wm. Tilghman.
Vice-Presidents—DuPonceau, Collins, Patterson.
Secretaries—R. Walsh, Jr., Ord, Keating, Fr. Bache.
Councillors—Binney, Sergeant, J. Q. Adams, Rawle.
Curators—Say, Horner, Mease.
Treasurer—Vaughan.

1825. *Jan'y* 7. (Tilghman; and 15 others.)

Donations for Library from Patterson; Klaproth, N. Y.; Lyceum, N. H.; and J. Hare Powel.

"On Ventilating Ships," by Capt. Jas. Barron, U. S. N., was referred to Patterson, Jones and Hemble.

1825. *Jan'y* 21. (Tilghman; and 22 others.)

Barron's paper: Committee reported progress.

Donation for Library from S. A. Mitchell, of Philad'a.